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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number

09/322,333

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May 28, 1999

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Art Unit

1771

Examiner Name

Daniel Zirker

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1217-990766

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
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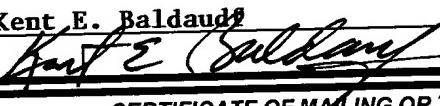
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- b. Other _____

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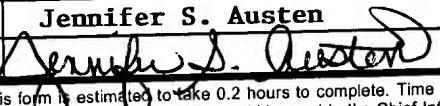
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Attorney's Docket No. 1217-990766**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER****Box RCE**Commissioner for Patents
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Serial No.: 09/322,333 Filing Date: May 28, 1999
Examiner: Daniel Zirker Group Art Unit: 1771
Invention: "Pressure Sensitive Adhesive Sheet and Method of Use Thereof"

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity Status is/has been asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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PATENT APPLICATION

Serial No. 09/322,333
Attorney Docket No. 1217-990766

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1771 :
In re application of :
Takeshi KONDO et al. : **PRESSURE SENSITIVE ADHESIVE
SHEET AND METHOD OF USE
THEREOF**
Serial No. 09/322,333 :
Filed May 28, 1999 :
Examiner Daniel Zirker :

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
December 6, 2001

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated June 6, 2001 and the Advisory Action dated September 21, 2001, please amend the above-captioned application as indicated below. A Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") is submitted herewith along with a Petition for Extension of Time of three months and requisite fees.

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